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## REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are pending in this application. By this amendment, Claims 11 and 12 are canceled. Reconsideration in view of the above amendment and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

- 1. Allowable Subject Matter
  - Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of Claims 1-10.
- 2. Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a)
  - Claims 11 and 12 are canceled and therefore, this rejection is now moot.

## **CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing remarks, the application is believed to be in condition for the allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any remaining questions and the attending to of which would expedite such action, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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No extension of time is believed to be required. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fees associated with this or any other communication, or credit any over payment, to Deposit Account No. 09-0525.

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